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## WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

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This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of November 2012 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2012.

#### Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 87 opinions, 61 summary dispositions, and 72 other written decisions in November. Opinions include three-judge and one-judge authored opinions and per curiam opinions. Summary dispositions include opinions issued in the form of a court order after the court has reviewed the briefs and the record and, generally, following a screening and decision conference. Other written decisions include memorandum opinions, which are issued in the form of a court order prior to a screening and decision conference, and miscellaneous orders terminating cases (e.g., voluntary dismissals and stipulations to dismiss). The breakdown by district and type of disposition is as follows:

<u>November 2012</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>48</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>220</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	10	4	19	12	45
Opinion - Criminal .....	14	9	12	7	42
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	3	2	1	5	11
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	5	6	25	14	50
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	7	6	11	15	39
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	5	5	6	3	19
Other - Civil .....	3	4	2	3	12
Other - Criminal .....	1	1	0	0	2

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 996 opinions, 638 summary dispositions, and 904 other written decisions.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>611</u>	<u>644</u>	<u>563</u>	<u>720</u>	<u>2538</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	143	109	155	169	576
Opinion - Criminal .....	140	115	88	77	420
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	21	63	27	97	208
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	113	137	82	98	430
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	104	120	130	167	521
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	44	48	56	66	214
Other - Civil .....	37	40	21	40	138
Other - Criminal .....	9	12	4	6	31

#### Appeals Filed

A total of 209 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>November 2012</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>53</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>209</u>
Civil.....	31	31	25	34	121
Criminal .....	22	21	22	23	88

So far this year, a total of 2479 appeals have been filed.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>666</u>	<u>617</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>666</u>	<u>2479</u>
Civil.....	324	339	312	427	1402
Criminal .....	342	278	218	239	1077

#### Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2006 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Pending .....	<u>547</u>	<u>478</u>	<u>364</u>	<u>617</u>	<u>2006</u>
Civil.....	245	249	202	360	1056
Criminal .....	302	229	162	257	950

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 13 and disposed of 6 petitions for supervisory writ during the month. A petition for supervisory writ asks the Court of Appeals to order the circuit court to take a certain action in a case.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sup. Writs Filed.....	2	4	0	7	13
Sup. Writs Terminated .....	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	4	0	0	2	6
Sup. Writs Pending.....	19	8	3	16	46

### Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 13 and disposed of 12 petitions for leave to appeal during the month. A petition for leave to appeal asks the Court of Appeals to invoke its discretionary jurisdiction and accept the appeal of a case in which a final order has not been issued.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Filed .....	7	2	2	2	13
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>
Granted.....	0	2	0	1	3
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	1	3	2	3	9
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	9	1	4	5	19

### Petitions for Review, Petitions for Bypass, and Certifications to the Supreme Court

The Supreme Court received 83 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 3 petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and 1 request for certification. In a petition for bypass, a party requests that the Supreme Court take jurisdiction of an appeal or other proceeding pending in the Court of Appeals. In a request for certification, the Court of Appeals asks the Supreme Court to exercise its appellate jurisdiction before the Court of Appeals hears the matter.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed.....	<u>22</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>83</u>
Civil.....	9	9	6	12	36
Criminal .....	13	10	4	20	47
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Civil.....	1	2	0	0	3
Criminal .....	0	0	0	0	0
Certifications Filed .....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal .....	0	1	0	0	1